

ACROSS

- 1 Sad news preceder
- 5 Teeny tiny bit
- 8 Honeydew or cantaloupe
- 13 Omakase serving, often
- 15 Purple yam
- 16 Proof of innocence
- 17 *Familiar type of vehicle produced by the Blue Bird Corporation
- 19 Finger or toe
- 20 "Fess up!"
- 22 "How do I love ___? Let me count the ways..."
- 23 Anderson of "The X-Files"
- 26 "Suuuuuuuure..."
- 28 Initialism before "Zion" in some church names
- 29 *Animal nickname for Sirius
- 32 SLC clock setting
- 35 Sudden surge
- 37 Single story recurring in the lore of many traditions, per Joseph Campbell
- 39 Leader elected at a conclave
- 40 Emmy or Pulitzer category
- 42 Yonder
- 43 Arcane
- 45 Online party notice
- 46 ___ Leppard
- 47 *Mall retailer for children's clothing
- 50 Narrow inlet
- 51 Move smoothly
- 53 Coming into being
- 55 Site originally called AuctionWeb
- 57 I, V, or X, in ancient Rome

- 60 "The Village ___" (publication that originated the 11-Down Awards)
- 62 Lead track on Bowie's "Ziggy Stardust"... what the answers to the starred clues begin with... or how long I've been at this
- 66 101 course
- 67 Poem of praise
- 68 Coconut-covered Girl Scout cookie
- 69 Lindsay whose "Frankie and Johnny" is a highlight of the soundtrack to "A Prairie Home Companion"
- 70 Galahad's title
- 71 Negative, in Novgorod

DOWN

- 1 Pompous jerk
- 2 Enterprise captain Jean-___ Picard
- 3 Campfire remnant
- 4 Submerged sandbank
- 5 Riding on a lazy river, maybe
- 6 Share a border with
- 7 Lucy's early sitcom co-lead
- 8 Ticked
- 9 Top-tier
- 10 *1967 no. 1 single by the Doors
- 11 NYC theatrical award
- 12 Nick at ___
- 14 Silver ___ (cloud seeding mineral)
- 18 "That's hilarious," via text
- 21 "The Princess and the Frog" title character
- 23 Reacted in shock
- 24 Make oneself a burden
- 25 *Risky move based on trust
- 27 Fella
- 30 Loud kiss
- 31 "Top Chef" co-host Colicchio
- 33 Cholesterol-lowering drug
- 34 Word after "idle" or "triple"
- 36 Palindromic Vietnamese celebration
- 38 Dallas NBA pro
- 40 ___ butter (lobster accompaniment)
- 41 Confetti-throwing comic Taylor
- 44 A braggart has a big one
- 45 Joan Didion's "Why I Write" and George Orwell's "Why I Write"

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- 48 "The unmitigated gall!"
- 49 "Do I ___ to eat a peach?" (T.S. Eliot line)
- 52 Stretchy fabric tradename
- 54 Rated G, in a way
- 55 Wicked
- 56 Lead singer on "I Still Haven't Found What I'm Looking For"
- 58 Unexplained things in the sky: init.
- 59 Daily crossword size at Puzzmo
- 61 Seemingly forever
- 63 Schneider with a 40-game "Jeopardy!" winning streak
- 64 Topping for 13-Across, often
- 65 Didn't play